IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1, 3, 5 and 7 as shown below. The claims, as pending in the subject application, read as follows:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A software installation method which installs first software and second software capable of operating while linking to said first software, comprising:
 - a first installation step of installing said first software;
 - a second installation step of installing said second software;
- a first link setup step of performing link setup of said second software already installed, when the installation of said first software in said first installation step ends; and
- a second link setup step of performing link setup of said second software installed in said second installation step, when the installation of said second software ends,

wherein said first link setup step performs the link setup of said second software already installed in association with a button of said first software,

and wherein said second link setup step performs the link setup of said second software installed in said second installation step, in association with the button of said first software already installed.

2. (Original) A software installation method according to Claim 1, wherein said second link setup step operates only when said first software has already been installed.

- 3. (Currently Amended) A software installation method which installs first software and second software capable of operating while linking to said first software, comprising:
 - a first installation step of installing said first software;
- a first monitoring step of monitoring that the installation of said first software in said first installation step ended;
 - a second installation step of installing said second software;
- a second monitoring step of monitoring that the installation of said second software in said second installation step ended;
- a first link setup step of performing link setup of said second software already installed, when it is judged in said first monitoring step that the installation of said first software ended; and
- a second link setup step of performing link setup of said second software installed in said second installation step, when it is judged in said second monitoring step that the installation of said second software ended,

wherein said first link setup step performs the link setup of said second software already installed in association with a button of said first software,

and wherein said second link setup step performs the link setup of said second software installed in said second installation step, in association with the button of said first software already installed.

4. (Original) A software installation method according to Claim 3, wherein said second link setup step operates only when said first software has already been installed.

5. (Currently Amended) A storage medium which computer-readably stores a program for installing first software and second software capable of operating while linking to said first software, said program executing:

a first installation step of installing said first software;

a second installation step of installing said second software;

a first link setup step of performing link setup of said second software already installed, when the installation of said first software in said first installation step ends; and

a second link setup step of performing link setup of said second software installed in said second installation step, when the installation of said second software ends,

wherein said first link setup step performs the link setup of said second software already installed in association with a button of said first software,

and wherein said second link setup step performs the link setup of said second software installed in said second installation step, in association with the button of said first software already installed.

- 6. (Original) A storage medium according to Claim 5, wherein said second link setup step operates only when said first software has already been installed.
- 7. (Currently Amended) A storage medium which computer-readably stores a program for installing first software and second software capable of operating while linking to said first software, said program executing:
 - a first installation step of installing said first software;

a first monitoring step of monitoring that the installation of said first software in said first installation step ended;

a second installation step of installing said second software;

a second monitoring step of monitoring that the installation of said second software in said second installation step ended;

a first link setup step of performing link setup of said second software already installed, when it is judged in said first monitoring step that the installation of said first software ended; and

a second link setup step of performing link setup of said second software installed in said second installation step, when it is judged in said second monitoring step that the installation of said second software ended.

wherein said first link setup step performs the link setup of said second software already installed in association with a button of said first software,

and wherein said second link setup step performs the link setup of said second software installed in said second installation step, in association with the button of said first software already installed.

8. (Original) A storage medium according to Claim 7, wherein said second link setup step operates only when said first software has already been installed.